

REMARKS

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 23, 27-28, 30, 32-39, 42-48, 51, 55, 56, 58, 60-67, 70, 72-76, 79, 83, 84, 86, 88-95, 98-104, 107, 111, 112, 114, 116-123, 126 and 128-132 contain allowable subject matter if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended independent claims 21, 49, 77 and 105 to incorporate the allowable subject matter from dependent claims 25, 28, 53, 56, 81, 84, 109 and 112. Applicant has also amended independent claims 40, 68, 96 and 124 to incorporate the allowable subject matter from dependent claims 44, 72, 100 and 128. Applicant has cancelled these dependent claims and amended the dependency in other claims in accordance with the amendments. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 21, 40, 49, 72, 77, 100, 105 and 128, and the claims that depend from them are allowable.

SUMMARY

Claims 21, 23, 26, 27, 29-40, 42, 45-49, 51, 54, 55, 57-68, 70, 73-77, 79, 82, 83, 85-96, 98, 101-105, 107, 110, 111, 113-124, 126 and 129-132 are currently pending. In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Sue Holloway at (408) 720-8300 x3476.

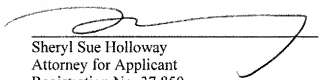
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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